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PRICE ONE CENT

BLEW UP.

The Powder House at Hercules Station, Cal., Wrecked.

Four White Men and Eight Chinamen Blown to Atoms.

Fifteen Chinamen Were More or Less Seriously Injured, Some of Whom Will Die. The Loss to the Company Will Amount to About \$200,000.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 2.—By an explosion in the drying house of the California Powder Co., at Hercules Station, Cal., Tuesday afternoon, four white men and eight Chinamen were blown to atoms. A number of white men are reported missing. Fifteen Chinamen were more or less seriously injured, and it is believed that some of them will die. The white men killed: James McNulty, foreman of the mixing room.

W. W. Grater, fireman of the packing house.

Manuel Garcia, assistant general engineer.

John Frietas, laborer.

The explosion set fire to the little town of Rodeo and great damage was done. The nitro-glycerin plant of the powder company, valued at \$50,000, was totally destroyed, as were a number of other buildings in the vicinity. The loss on explosives will be heavy. Telegraph and telephone communication with Rodeo is prostrated and details are not to hand.

Later advices from Hercules station states that the fire has been checked in Rodeo without serious loss. After the first explosion burning acid communicated the flames to the neighboring buildings of the powder works, which were destroyed, excepting the packing house. The total loss to the company will reach \$200,000.

A list of the injured, most of whom are Chinese, can not be obtained at this hour. It is known, however, that the fatalities are confined to the 13 men already mentioned. A second series of minor explosions occurred later in the evening and a few workmen were slightly injured by flying debris.

Bids Good-Bye to St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 2.—At 3 o'clock Tuesday Secretary of the Interior David R. Francis bade farewell to St. Louis and departed by the fast mail train for Washington.

The Gold Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 2.—The treasury gold reserve at the close of business Tuesday stood at \$103,770,573. The day's withdrawals at New York were \$95,600.

BUCKNER VISITS BRAGG.

The Two Gray-Haired Veterans Meet Face to Face for the First Time Since the War.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 2.—In the Wisconsin headquarters in the Denison house Tuesday night a number of the Kentucky delegation escorted Gen. Bragg to call upon Gen. Bragg. The two veterans met face to face for the first time since they had fought upon opposite sides in the civil war, but each had long since conceived for the other the warm admiration that courage inspires. As Judge John J. Lockett, of Kentucky, was about to introduce them, Gen. Bragg advanced with outstretched hand.

"I hardly think an introduction necessary, General," said he, "we have never known each other before, but we do now."

"Yes," replied Gen. Bragg, grasping the proffered hand. "We do now, but I have seen the time when I should not have liked to be so close to you."

"And I have seen the time when I was nearly as close and would have much preferred to be further away," returned Gen. Bragg. "But those times are long past. We are together now and I hope it may always be so." And the two white-haired veterans shook hands again. A touch of humor broke the pathos of the meeting.

A COMPROMISE

Effecting in the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, on the Suicide Death Benefit Question.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 2.—The morning session of the supreme lodge K. of P. was the warmest of the convention. The report of the board of control, uniform rank, recommended that suicides be debarred from all death benefits, if death occurs within a period of five years after joining the order, aroused a strong opposition. A compromise was effected whereby the heirs of suicides will be settled with on the graduation system of life expectation as used by the American Board of Underwriters. Thus, if a man enters the order and is classed with 20 years expectation of life, he will receive one-fourth of the benefit if he commits suicide when he has been five years in the order.

Cablegram From Waterson.

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 2.—The following cablegram was received Wednesday afternoon from Henry Waterson: "Geneva, Switzerland, Sept. 2, via Calais.—W. B. Haldeman, Indianapolis, Ind.: Another ticket our only hope. No compromise with dishonor. Stand firm.—Henry Waterson."

Boy Missing From Home.

JACKSON, O., Sept. 2.—Charley Walker, aged 13 years, has been missing from home since a week ago last Monday. No clew whatever has been obtained to his disappearance.

ALL FOR GOLD.

Convention Called to Order by Senator Palmer.

Ex-Gov. Flower, of New York, Elected as Temporary Chairman.

The Window Shades of "Old Gold" and "Twigs of Golden Rod" Makes the Character of the Meeting Plain—Cheers for President Cleveland.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 2.—The national convention of the gold democrats was called to order in Tomlinson hall shortly after noon Wednesday by Senator Palmer with the remark: "This is the first national convention held in 1896."

Hanging high over the platform was the United States coat of arms, with the eagle done in gold. To the right of this were likenesses of Jefferson, Jackson and ex-Senator McDonald, and to the left pictures of Cleveland, Hendricks and Tilden. The appearance of the hall was, on the whole, attractive.



SENATOR JOHN M. PALMER.

There was much applause as various prominent democrats entered the hall and took their seats with their delegations. Among those specially honored were Buckner and Breckinridge, of Kentucky, but Senator Palmer, of Illinois, came in unnoticed and took his seat among the delegates from his state.

A white silk flag, on which was imprinted a likeness of President Cleveland, with the motto, "Florida's candidate," was carried through the hall by a colored man and was cheered frequently.

All the delegates wore bright-colored badges on the lapels of their coats, the prevailing hue being golden yellow, and many of them had in addition twigs of golden rod. The character of the convention was asserted in unmistakable emblems. Even the color of the window shades was old gold.

Senator Palmer, who had taken a seat on the stage as temporary chairman, rose and called the convention to order.

Rev. John Hazen White, Episcopal bishop of the diocese of Indiana, then advanced to the platform, and while the audience reverently arose delivered the opening prayer.

The call for the convention was then read. When the name of Cleveland was read in the call, in connection with the names of Jefferson and Jackson, the members of the convention arose and cheered.

The next business in order was declared to be the call of the states in order to ascertain who were present. Most of them reported full delegations. Montana reported a unanimous delegation of one New York was called out great cheering and reported present 72 delegates and 72 alternates.

Ohio was cheered when its name was called. A full delegation for gold was reported. Utah failed to respond.



TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN FLOWER.

Wisconsin reported a full delegation. "All Democrats," the chairman said. At this there were cheers. The call complete, shows that 41 states are represented. Territories were then called. Delegates from several answered. Eight hundred and fifty delegates in all were found to be present.

The report of the executive committee was read, and it was agreed that the convention be governed by the rules of the democratic convention of 1892.

The announcement that ex-Gov. Flower, of New York, had been chosen for temporary chairman was received with great cheering. When he was conducted to the chair all the delegates were on their feet.

When quiet had been restored the chairman delivered a short address. At the mention of President Cleveland's name by Gov. Flower the delegates arose and cheered heartily. Then someone asked: "What's the matter with Cleveland?" and the reply that "He's all right" came thundering back.

At the close of Chairman Flower's address the states were called for the selection of members of the committees on credentials, resolutions, and also vice presidents.

The convention at 2:10 took a recess until 4 p. m.

The convention reconvened at 4:25. At 4:30 the committee on credentials reported 821 delegates, representing 41 states and three territories. At 4:32 the report of the committee on credentials was agreed to. Dr. Everett of Massachusetts, spoke pending the report of the committee on credentials.

SENATOR CAFEERY.

Of Louisiana, Selected as Permanent Chairman of the Convention.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 2.—The committee on permanent organization met in the rooms of the Calumet club at 3 p. m. J. C. Truelock, of New York, was elected chairman and S. W. Little, of the Massachusetts delegation, secretary of the committee. The committee carried out the programme mapped out by the national committee by selecting Senator Donaldson Caffery, of Louisiana, for permanent chairman of the convention. They decided to recommend that John R. Wilson, of Indiana, the temporary secretary, be made permanent secretary with power to appoint assistants, and that Walter Kessler, of Indianapolis, be made permanent secretary-at-arms.

BLOODY ENCOUNTER.

Only One Spaniard Left to Tell the Story at the Battle of Bayamo.

KEY WEST, Fla., Sept. 2.—One of the bloodiest encounters of the Cuban war occurred last Thursday near Bayamo, where a body of Spanish troops was ambushed, and, with one exception, completely exterminated by 400 patriots, who formed a part of Gen. Rabi's column.

According to advices received here the Spanish garrison had been shut up in Bayamo for several weeks by the patriots. Provisions and ammunition were scarce, and the commander sent word to his superior officer at Santiago de Cuba that he would be forced to surrender Bayamo unless relief soon came.

Last week the Spanish commander was notified that a convoy was on the way to Bayamo, and that he was instructed to send out a detachment to meet it. Accordingly 150 picked Spanish troops, under Capt. Jose Perez, were ordered out to meet the convoy.

The Spaniards left on Thursday morning, expecting to meet the relief train near Bayamo. They marched till noon without meeting the convoy and then halted for dinner. Rabi, who was aware of the movements of the Spaniards, dispatched 400 men to attack the company sent out from Bayamo, while, with his main body, he advanced to intercept the convoy.

These 400 men fell upon the Spaniards while the latter were at dinner. The Spaniards were completely surprised, and were cut to pieces almost before they were aware of the enemy's presence. The Cubans, after firing one volley, rushed upon the Spaniards with their machetes, and two-thirds of those killed were hacked to pieces. Only one of the 150 escaped. He was left for dead, but revived, and although horribly wounded, made his way back to Bayamo and told the story of the slaughter.

In the meantime Gen. Rabi, with his main force, had captured the convoy, which was accompanied by only a company of Spanish volunteers, who surrendered when they saw they were surrounded. The convoy was very valuable, the Cubans capturing 200,000 cartridges and 500 rifles, besides provisions, clothing and medical supplies.

THE PLATFORM.

Some Ideas Which May Be Adopted by the Sound Money Convention.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 2.—Two proposed platforms, which it was believed might form a conspicuous part of the platform to be finally adopted were rapidly disposed of Wednesday morning. Mr. Perry Belmont, who of the easterners has been most active, said Wednesday morning that the statement that he has prepared a full draft of platform, was untrue and that he had simply drafted a financial plank relating to greenbacks and national banks which he believed would be incorporated in the platform. The other talked-of platform, one prepared by Abram S. Hewitt, of New York, was practically repudiated by Mr. Bynum, who had charge of it, before the sub-committee of resolutions had ever met.

Mr. Bynum said that the only part of Mr. Hewitt's platform that would be considered was that section defining anarchy and socialism and proclaiming the ethics of the country against it. During the morning Mr. Belmont gave out the statement: "I am urging the adoption of a plank for the retirement of greenbacks and substituting a sound banking currency in accordance with the Syracuse platform. The purpose is to give greater banking facilities to the people. I also believe this to be the only way of permanently ridding ourselves of the necessity of government bond syndicates. Whether upon a gold or even upon a silver basis, redemption of government paper money might at any time make such syndicates necessary. A silver bond syndicate will be quite as objectionable as a gold one."

SWALLOWED IT.

A Slick Thief Put a Watch Charm in His Mouth.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 2.—Two well dressed strangers, with two women, entered Porter's jewelry store Wednesday morning. After looking over the stock they left, and a watch charm was missing. Officer Calvin was notified, and one of the men was found at another jewelry store looking at watches. When arrested he put the charm in his mouth and swallowed it. Two watches, a revolver and \$65 in money were found on his person. He refused to give his name or residence. His companions could not be found. They are believed to be professional crooks who were following Robinson's circus.

Five Lives Lost in a Hotel Fire.

VAN CREEK, Ont., Sept. 2.—The Commercial hotel, owned by George Constantineau, was partially destroyed by fire and five persons were burned to death. They were: Mary Louise Yandean, Charity Villeneuve, Josephine Deschamps, Mrs. T. Finn, and Miss K. McLeod. The fire broke out in the kitchen and spread so rapidly that it was impossible to make any attempt at rescue. The loss on the hotel is \$10,000; insurance \$4,500.

The Engineer's License Revoked.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Sept. 2.—Inspectors Madgey and Morgan Wednesday revoked for life the license of Engineer William Ward, charged with drunkenness on the steamer Vesper while on duty.

Davis' Narrow Escape.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Sept. 2.—William Davis narrowly escaped death at the epileptic hospital stone quarry. A rock, weighing two tons fell 35 feet, striking his shoulder and crushing it.



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BUCKEYE NEWS.

New and Interesting Happenings Within Our Borders.

FROZEN CORPSES.

Anatomical Society of Cincinnati Adopt the Columbia College Plan of Preserving Dead Bodies.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 2.—The Cincinnati Anatomical society will establish a refrigerator vault in the near future. Dr. W. E. Lewis, secretary of the society, who has charge of all the bodies dissected in Cincinnati, had a consultation with Dr. N. P. Dandridge several days ago in regard to the matter. It was agreed that to freeze the bodies after they had been injected kept them in much better condition and made assurance doubly sure.

The idea is to have a room fitted up with pipes for ammonia, as in an ice machine. The bodies are to be put into this and kept there till frozen solid. They are then stacked up in a chilled vault till needed in the dissecting rooms. At present the bodies are kept in salt brine, two bodies in a box. The refrigerator plan is in operation in Columbia college, New York.

CARRIER PIGEONS.

With a Message From Wm. J. Bryan to the Democrats of West Virginia, Released at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 2.—At the request of R. E. Blaney, a fancier of Grafton, W. Va., three carrier pigeons were released from the roof of the Chittenden hotel at 9 a. m. Wednesday, with a message from Wm. J. Bryan to the democrats of West Virginia. The following is the message:

To the Democracy of West Virginia:—May your efforts in behalf of free silver be as untiring as the pigeon's wing and the spread of silver sentiment among the people of your state as rapid as the flight of the carrier of this.—Wm. J. Bryan.

Midnight Murder at Sandusky.

SANDUSKY, O., Sept. 2.—At 1 o'clock Tuesday morning Fred Strobel was found with two gashes in his throat, lying in the rear of Fred Foster's saloon on Meigs street. The hangers-on at the saloon heard a commotion in the back yard and went out to ascertain the trouble. They found Fred Strobel lying in a pool of blood near the doorstep and another man running down the street. Strobel died at the police station shortly afterward without making a statement. Fred Dunn is accused of the murder and is missing.

Columbus Coal War.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 2.—The retail coal dealers of this city sprang a great surprise upon the public Tuesday morning by announcing a reduction in the price of lump coal from \$2.25 to \$1.40 a ton. Some of the dealers were very reticent as to the cause of the reduction, but others stated that it originated in a cut-rate war which had been raging for several weeks between the C. & S. H. T. and O. C. & Hocking Valley Railroad Cos.

Bryan at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 2.—Wm. J. Bryan addressed a large gathering in the statehouse grounds Tuesday night. Allen W. Thurman, son of the "Old Roman," presented the democratic candidate to the audience. John J. Leuz, democratic candidate for congress, followed Mr. Bryan, and when he had concluded the candidate and his wife went to their hotel. They left for Toledo at 7:15 Wednesday morning.

Arrival and Departure of Trains.

B. & O. S. V.
DEPART—6:00 a. m., 10:40 a. m., 1:00 p. m., 7:00 p. m., 11:25 p. m.
ARRIVE—3:05 a. m., 8:10 a. m., 12:25 p. m., 6:10 p. m., 8:55 p. m.

T. & O. C. E.
LEAVE—2:10 p. m., 9:00, 4:00 a. m.
ARRIVE—4:45, 12:15 p. m., 7:50 a. m.

C. & M.
LEAVE—6:25 a. m., 3:55 p. m.
ARRIVE—11:15 a. m., 7:05 p. m.

Z. & O.
LEAVE—6:20 a. m., 3:40 p. m.
ARRIVE—10:40 a. m., 5:55 p. m.

O. R. R. R. (Eastern Time.)
SOUTH—9:34 a. m., 8:03, 7:33 p. m.
NORTH—12:32, 8:50 a. m., 7:27 p. m.

VERMONT ELECTION.

Returns Received Indicate That Groat for Governor, Has a Plurality of 58,757.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Sept. 2.—Returns received here from 193 towns give Groat, rep., 46,387; Jackson, dem., 12,778; Battelle, pop., 584; Whittemore, pro., 495; Groat's plurality, 33,509; majority, 32,429. The same towns in 1892 gave Fuller, rep., 30,406; Jackson, dem., 16,070; all others, 1,399. The percentage of republican gain appears to be maintained and there is no question whatever that the majority is larger by 7,000 than ever before given.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Sept. 2.—According to the returns gathered here by the chairman of the republican committee, with six towns to hear from, Groat, republican for governor, has a plurality of 35,757. The missing towns in 1892 gave a republican plurality of 161, and in 1894 a republican plurality of 225.

Democratic Leaders to Hold a Council.

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—On Friday Wm. J. Bryan will arrive here, and on Saturday will hold an important conference with leaders of his party. Among those who will be present are Senator Teller, of Colorado; Gov. Altgeld, of Illinois; Gov. Stone, of Missouri; Committeemen Campau, of Michigan; Johnson, of Kansas; Gahan, of Illinois, and McConville, of Ohio. Secretary Walsh will keep tab on the meeting.

Salisbury Will Go It Alone.

LONDON, Sept. 2.—In official circles here it is believed that the marquis of Salisbury has determined to pursue his own course at Constantinople in the future and that he has given the British ambassador, Sir Philip Currie, precise and significant instructions, with greater powers, to command naval aid in forcing the demands of Great Britain.

Greeting to McKinley.

ST. ALBANS, Vt., Sept. 2.—At 1 o'clock Wednesday morning Chairman Merrell sent the following message: To Wm. McKinley, Canton, O.: Vermont, claiming the honor of making possible your unanimous nomination, to-day shows her fealty by a majority of more than thirty-eight thousand, the largest ever cast in the state by more than ten thousand.

OLIN MERRELL.

Chairman State Committee.

Murderer Escapes in a Sailboat.

SANDUSKY, O., Sept. 2.—The murderer of Fred Strobel, who was stabbed to death Tuesday, is Fred Dunn, a boon companion, Dunn is missing. In the fight he cut himself, and, by blood spots, he has been traced by the police. He took a small sailboat and escaped. The police can not locate him, and believe that he is in hiding with friends or relatives.

Suicide in a Cistern.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 2.—Elizabeth Ahlen, aged 40 years, suicided by drowning herself in a cistern. She had been missed since Sunday. The neighbors say she had recently had spells, during which she had expressed a desire to die. Last February she took a quantity of paris green with suicidal intent. She was taken to the hospital, where her life was saved.

To Guard Against Political Coercion.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 2.—A secret meeting of labor leaders is reported to have been held here to guard against the coercion of workmen by employers in the coming election. Men of all parties were present, but it was agreed that their names would not be divulged.

Stricken While Preaching.

LIMA, O., Sept. 2.—Rev. R. W. Wilgus, pastor of the United Brethren church, was suddenly stricken with illness while in the act of rising to deliver his sermon, and was removed to his home, where he is in a critical condition.

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